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SUBJECT: FONMIN REPORTS ON SAG/GOS RIYADH TALKS

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1. FONMIN KHALID TOLD ME FEB 19 THAT RECENT GOS/SAG TALKS RIYADH (REFTEL), IN WHICH HE PARTICIPATED ALONG WITH PRIMIN BAKR, HAD BEEN REAL SUCCESS. SAUDIS HAD BEEN FORTHCOMING NOT ONLY IN AREAS INTERNAL SECURITY AND DEFENSE BUT ALSO FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT. KHALID CITED NO FIGURES BUT SAID THAT SAG FUNDS WOULD BE PROVIDED, NOT ONLY FOR SPECIFIC PROJECTS BUT ALSO IN SOME LONGER-TERM FASHION WHICH WOULD PERMIT MORE RATIONAL SUDANESE DEVELOPMENT PLANNING. PROBLEMS IN PAST WITH GOS EFFORTS PIND DOWN SAUDIS, OPINED KHALID, HAD BEEN THAT SIMPLE MESSAGES HAD BEEN CARRIED BY LOWER-LEVEL EMISSARIES. ON THIS OCCASION, HOWEVER, OVERALL POSITION HAD BEEN PUT TO SAIDIS AT HIGH ENOUGH LEVEL TO PRODUCE RESULTS.

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2. COMMENT. WHILE OBVIOUSLY SELF-INTERESTED, KHALID'S COMMENTS SUGGEST THAT SUDANESE CONVINCED SAUDIS THAT MORE HELP OF VARIOUS KINDS IS NEEDED SO THAT NIMEIRI REGIME CAN MAINTAIN STABILITY AND CONTRIBUTE TO FRUSTATING COMMUNIST DESIGNS IN RED SEA AREA. HIS REFERENCE TO LOWER-LEVEL EMISSARY MAY BE TAKEN AS CRITICISM OF MINSTATE IDRUS'S MANY UNPUBLICIZED VISITS TO SAUDI ARABIA AND LATTER'S MORE LIMITED KNOWLEDGE

OF AREA STRATEGIC AND POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS THAN PRIMIN
AND KHALID.
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